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College Gives Housing Plan For Veterans

Space to be Given To Married Couples

Middlebury College is solving its next semester housing problem, created in this town by the return of married veterans from the armed service to the classroom, according to an announcement by President Samuel S. Stratton here today, stating that 19 apartments are being made ready for married couples.

All apartments will be ready for occupancy by March 1, and it is expected that 50 per cent of them will be occupied by the start of the winter term, February 19.

The college has purchased the Federation Building, formerly the Sigma Alpha fraternity house, on Main Street from the Catholic Diocese of Burlington, and is converting it into a five apartment building. Its three, three-room apartments, and two, two-room apartments, will be ready by the middle of February.

Court Street's Sargent House has been leased from Alcid Quesnel, and is being renovated into eight three-room, and three one-room apartments. A few of these apartments will be ready by the February 19th semester opening, with the remainder completed and occupied by the first of March.

Three more apartments at the Gables on Weybridge Street are being constructed by W. E. Ferland, owner, and being reserved for the College. There will be a five-room, a four-room and a three-room apartment in this building. They will be ready by the semester opening.

Nobel Literature Prize Presented To Lucila Godoy

Lucila Godoy y Alcayaga, 56-year-old Chilean poet and at one time instructor at Middlebury college, has recently been awarded for her poetic achievements, the 1945 Nobel Prize in literature, it was announced from Stockholm, Sweden.

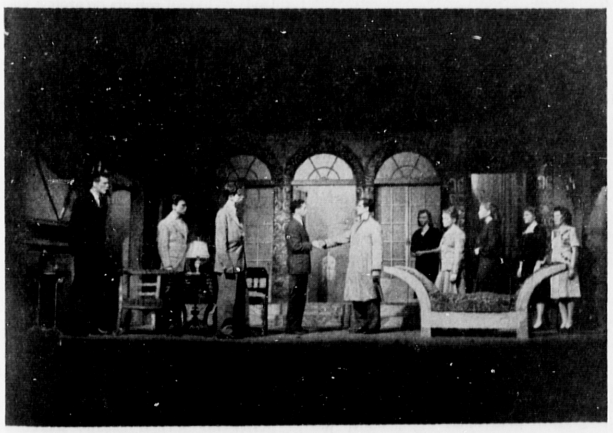
Miss Godoy has always been interested in the field of education, as well as in literature. Beginning in 1911 with the position of hygiene professor at the Liceo de Traiguen in Chile she went on thereafter to teach at various colleges in the United States. A former member of the Barnard faculty, she also taught at Middlebury, where she was a member of the Spanish-American department. She also took a position at the summer language school at Breadloaf.

Under the pen name of Gabriella Mistral, the Chilean poet has produced literature well known in both Europe and America. Her reputation was established in 1908 with a collection of poems about her home town in Eliqui, Chili. Since then, she has become increasingly popular with her Spanish language poems and her children's lyrics.

Miss Godoy has also been active in South American politics. One of the first women there to hold public office, she has extended her services as a diplomatic consul in Lisbon, Portugal, and is at present holding a similar office with the Chilean consul in Rio de Janeiro.

The Nobel Prizes were established by A. B. Nobel, a Swedish inventor of dynamite, who left his entire estate for this purpose. They are awarded yearly and were first given in 1901. The prizes originated for the encouragement of men and women who work for the interests of humanity.

Players Bring Realism to Production Of Casella's "Death Takes a Holiday"



Joanne E. Buckeridge '47

"Death Takes a Holiday," by Alberto Casella, was going into the final stages of production when reviewed by the CAMPUS on Sunday night. Considering that several of the cast are making their first performance on the Middlebury stage, the feeling and depth of the play was imparted with surprising realism.

Death Made Mortal

Death, enacted by Prof. Erie T. Volkert, desires to experience the emotions of a mortal being for three days. As the plot unrolls, the people with whom Death is carrying out his experiment become increasingly tense. Both Grazia, the very delicate and sensitive fiancee of Corrado, and Alda, a young and wordly widow, fall in love with the mysterious Count, who is in reality Death.

Much of the mood of the play depends on the convincing portrayal of Death, whose lines carry the great emotion and meaning of the play. Mr. Volkert is the only one who could do justice to the part, and does so with his characteristic skill. His scene in the beginning of the second act with the Duke, played by Edwin A. Fadiman '48, was executed with moving impressiveness. Fadiman, who was uneasy and often underplayed his role, is most effective in the last act.

Burris Outstanding

Shirley R. March '48, as Grazia, has a difficult role to portray. Her sincere interpretation was excellent, and especially enhanced by a melodic, clear voice. The most finished acting was evidenced in Barbara J. Burris '49 as Alda. One of the most gripping scenes of the play is between Death and Alda, where Miss Burris shows her true dramatic ability.

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College to Sponsor New Student-Faculty Lodge, 'The Panther Room', at Chi Psi

Committees Begin Carnival Program

Special Trophy Ordered; Wide Publicity Arranged

With completion of the clearing of Breadloaf trails for competitive skiing events, advance perparations for the 1946 Winter Carnival have begun.

The work has been under the supervision of Carnival Co-chairmen Ray Sacher '47 and Emily Cushing '47 and equipment and trails committee chairmen J. David Hunt '48 and Joan H. Roessle '48.

Poster Contest

The deadline of the Carnival poster contest is Saturday, December 1. The winner will receive a free combination ticket to Carnival, and his poster will be displayed throughout the country to advertise the January Carnival events.

Tentative plans are being made for the engagement of two professional skaters to be included in the ice show Sunday, January 20. It is hoped that each women's ski team competing against Middlebury will be enlarged to four members.

Newspaper Coverage

The publicity committee has corresponded with all the Boston and New York papers to provide news coverage for the weekend. Definite acceptance of the invitation has been made by Frank Elkins of the *New York Times*.

For the first time in the history of Carnival, a large trophy will be awarded to the college team winning first place in the ski events, the cup being transferred from year to year thereafter to the victorious team. Individual winners will receive medals rather than ski poles or boots as was the custom in past years.

The Breadloaf English school barn will be used Friday and Saturday, January 18 and 19, for a place to serve food and provide shelter for spectators. There will be transportation to and from the trails and the barn as well as to and from Middlebury and Breadloaf.

Expert on Germany To Speak in Chapel

Dr. Herbert Gezork, Ph.D., D.D., who has just returned from Germany where he spent the summer doing rehabilitation work will speak in Mead Chapel Sunday, November 25, at 5 o'clock. He has traveled widely and has spoken at many colleges in the United States.

Dr. Gezork was born and educated in Germany. He was an exchange student in this country from 1928 to 1930. During 1930 and 1931 he traveled around the world studying social and religious conditions, especially in Japan, China and India. He was general secretary of the German Baptist Youth Movement until it was dissolved by Hitler. He wrote two books in German which were banned by the Nazi government. He came to the United States as a voluntary exile in 1936 and became an American citizen in 1943.

Since 1939 he has been professor of Social Ethics at Andover-Newton Theological school and lecturer at Wellesley college. In 1943 he was a delegate to the International Roundtable of religious and political leaders in Princeton. During 1943 and 1944 he taught at Military Government School for Civil Affairs in Boston.

Dr. Gezork will conduct a forum in Forest Rec. at 7.15 o'clock Sunday night. The topic for discussion will be "The Future of Germany." There will be an opportunity for questions afterwards.

Representatives Chosen for New Men's Assembly

Recent elections to the Men's assembly of Middlebury college for the term ending February 9, 1946, are as follows:

Gifford first floor, Walter A. Crowell '49, David W. White '49; Gifford second floor, Lewis G. Ensinger '46, Hugh H. Mathews '47; Gifford third floor, Thornton C. Schoch '46, Frederick B. Johnston '48; Gifford fourth floor, Roger L. Beach '48, Henry Bloch '49; Gifford fifth floor, Robert Goell '49, Bruce Penniman '49; Chi Psi Lodge, James T. Wright '49; and off campus, Alexander Calder '47.

By vitrue of being presidents of their classes, Alan J. Cobb '46, Charles A. Scott '47, Edward B. Valpy '48, and Charles C. Mutti '49 are automatically members of the new assembly.

Ensinger Elected Speaker

At its initial session, held November 16 in the Gifford recreation room, the assembly elected Ensinger as speaker, Scott as treasurer, and Cobb as secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Russell P. Dale '46, president of the Men's Undergraduate association. Dale administered the oath of office to the new assembly members, and then, upon the election of Ensinger as speaker, turned the meeting over to him.

Ensinger expressed his gratitude to the members for their expression of confidence and pointed out that a large volume of business lay before the assembly in effectively guiding the men's college through the transitional period in which it now finds itself.

Committees Named

As there was no old business to discuss, the first meeting was primarily one of orientation. However, as an indication to the student body of some of the work and problems which are being investigated, Ensinger appointed the following committees: Proposal for an official college ring, Mathews and Valpy; problem of mail distribution in Gifford, Mathews and Johnston; reorganization of a college Lodge, Ensinger and Scott; improvement in quality and quantity of food in Gifford, Johnston and Goell.

Pan-Hellenic Votes To Defer Rushing

Final decision to defer rushing until next semester was made at a meeting of the Pan-Hellenic council held Wednesday, November 14, in Forest West living room.

This decision was reached after prolonged discussion of the issue among the sorority women on campus. The purpose of the move is to allow time for a careful consideration of the Middlebury sorority system by rushees and sorority women alike.

Jane H. Strayer '47, president of the council, has appointed a committee of three sorority women to study the present rushing system and the possibility for making changes in it before rushing begins next semester. Ann A. Argyle '47, Mary E. Hamilton '47, and Muriel E. Mack '47, will be the members of this committee; Miss Strayer will be head of this committee *ex-officio*. The group will consider suggestions made for improvements by various sorority women.

Doughnuts, Soft Drinks Included In Daily Service

New Restaurant to Hold Official Opening Dec. 1

The "Panther Room" is being placed in the Chi Psi Lodge for use by students, faculty, and staff of Middlebury College, who may have a desire for a snack to appease their between meal appetites during the course of the day or evening. The official opening will be 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 1.

Opens at Eight

Between the hours of eight in the morning until nine in the evening, college people will be able to purchase sandwiches, rolls, doughnuts, coffee. hot chocolate, soft drinks, and other foods of an easy serving variety.

The present plans call for the "Panther Room" to be open seven days a week, so that students and faculty who desire to miss breakfast by sleeping late on Sunday mornings, will be able to enjoy a belated snack together at the Lodge.

Student Waiters

Tables will be placed in the dining room of the fraternity house so as to accommodate 40 persons, who in turn will be waited upon by student waiters or waitresses. The number of students employed will be determined by the volume of business.

The "Panther Room" is being operated for the first time by the college. Its establishment in the Lodge is a temporary set-up, and with the resumption of fraternity life on the campus, it may be moved to another location. Future locations and expansion of the "Snack Bar" will depend entirely on its present success and popularity.

Student Union Plans

The "Panther Room" marks the first step in a Student Union center which will culminate in the new gymnasium for which plans have been made.

The first lodge at Middlebury started in the Chi Psi House in the summer of 1943 and later was moved to the Sig Ep House. Although the new lodge will lack the dancing opportunities of the former one. it will have many facilities along other lines, including a wider variety of food. It will also be more convenient for students who wish something to eat during the morning when the first lodge remained closed.

GEORGE H. HUBAN RETURNS TO MIDD

Returning from four years of soldiering, George H. Huban, former Press Bureau Director, has been assigned temporary charge of the Editor's Office.

Mr. Huban, former infantry rifle company commander, was retired from the army recently by a board of medical officers at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Ind., as a result of gunshot wounds incurred during the capture of St. Malo, France, from which action he received the silver star for gallantry in action. He had been hospitalized ten months prior to being retired.

The former army captain will also be house director of Gifford Hall. He and Mrs. Huban moved into Gifford Hall this week. Mrs. Huban, former captain in the Army Nursing Corps, is on terminal leave from the army.

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Do We Matter?

When asked to sign such petitions as the one recently sent by Middlebury students to President Truman, we are apt to ask ourselves, "Does our opinion really matter? Can we change the outcome of events?"

It is obvious that the power of such a petition is limited. We can hardly expect it to work wonders even if we add to its force that of all similar petitions submitted by other bodies of college students. From a purely political viewpoint it is obvious that our lack of voting power is a serious weakness. Probably no more than a fourth of us are eligible to vote in our respective states. From our study of politics we understand that the average lawmaker must base his decisions upon vote-getting.

We must also consider the fact that college students are dismissed by many older people as being either radical or idealistic. Youth is traditionally more inclined to take chances and to make innovations, so that many adults feel youth must be held down. Our education is often attacked as being theoretical; we are considered too inexperienced to make reliable decisions. How often we are told "It's a fine idea, but it will never work," or, sardonically, "I thought so too, when I was your age."

Practically speaking, college students represent a very small part of our population. While this may be regrettable it is, nonetheless, very true. Even if every one of us had the power to vote we could hardly expect to see a "Student Bloc" in national politics corresponding to farm blocs or labor blocs. The fact that such power as we hold is decentralized, spread out over many states, is also a weakness. We cannot bring too much pressure to bear in any one locality.

At this point we may well repeat our first question, for on a superficial survey of the subject it appears that our practical power is indeed negligible. Just what can we expect as a result of petitions sent to the president, to our congressmen, or to other sources of political action.

One obvious source of strength is that we are *potential* voters. On our graduation from college we will not only bear a direct influence on politics but may also wield an indirect influence on our friends and co-workers. Even our inexperience is, in a way, an advantage.

American students should view with interest the results of student action in other countries. In the case of many modern revolutions students took an active role. During most of the occupation of Europe, students whose freedom had been denied, played an important role in underground activity, contributing in a large part to the final restoration of their countries. In Latin America many of the strongest demonstrations against the various dictatorial governments there are made by students. While we need hardly contemplate revolution in a free democracy, we must realize that American students have been extraordinarily complacent in comparison with their foreign counterpart. Too often they have been willing to confine their political activity to bull sessions and campus discussions.

In summarizing the problems we can see that while our real power has definite limitations, we have not as yet begun to approach them. As students here or as a representative group of American university students we have a choice to make in the matter. We can resign ourselves to sitting back and being spectators, devoting our energies to problems completely restricted to our campus, or, we can make a sincere and vigorous effort to help achieve those ends we feel are best for our nation.

N. C. S.

Faculty Club Plans Program for Year

A program for the year has been announced this week by the Cosmos club, a faculty and administration social organization.

This club is purely social and holds its meetings once a month in various places in or near Middlebury. The first meeting of the year will be held at the Waybury Inn, where a country supper party will be held under the chairmanship of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan R. Scobie. Dr. and Mrs. Donald H. Ballou will be in charge of a Christmas party to be given December 18. Dr. and Mrs. Mischa H. Fayer are to be chairmen for a dinner dance to be given January 17. On February 18, the club will attend a Play House night planned by Prof. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Wissler. There will be an informal dance on March 16. Prof. and Mrs. Perley C. Voter will be in charge.

A cafeteria supper and game night is planned for April 17 with Mr. and Mrs. Irwin K. French as chairmen. The last meeting planned for this school year is a spring picnic to be under the chairmanship of Prof. and Mrs. Harry M. Fife. Next fall a picnic is to be given with Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Hubbard as chairmen.

The executive committee of the club for this year is headed by Dr. Harold B. Hitchcock. He is assisted by Prof. John G. Bowker as vice-president and auditor, and Dr. Bruce V. Widner as secretary-treasurer. Also on the executive committee are Mrs. Werner Neuse and Prof. Phelps N. Swett.

MONEY OFFERED FOR PRIZE THESIS ON CONSTITUTION

Announcement has been made that the Percival Wood Clement prize for an essay on the Constitution is open to undergraduate men and women of the junior and senior classes of Middlebury. The prize of $614 will be awarded "For the Best Thesis in Support of the Principles of the Constitution of the United States of America, as Established March 4 A.D. 1789, and the First Ten Amendments Thereto."

Amherst, Bates, Brown, Bowdoin, Wesleyan, Tufts, Colby, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Dartmouth, Middlebury, Harvard (including Radcliffe college), Trinity, University of Vermont, Yale, Williams, Boston university, Norwich university, and the University of Maine, are eligible for the prize which was established by the will of the late Gov. Percival Wood Clement, of Rutland. The theses will be judged by presidents of Bowdoin university, Norwich university and the University of Maine.

The date when the essays are due, the technical procedure to be followed, the person to whom they are to be submitted and all additional information will be in the CAMPUS next week.

Calendar

Friday, November 23, 1945
8.15 p.m.
"Death Takes a Holiday," to be presented at the College Playhouse.

Saturday, November 24, 1945
"Death Takes a Holiday."

Sunday, November 25, 1945
7.15 p.m.
Student Union Tests for freshmen—Munroe, 303.

NOTICES

All freshmen are required to take the traditional Student Union test, to be given in 303, Munroe Hall at 7.15 p.m. Sunday, November 25. Rules are to be learned according to the college handbook.

A representative of the Esso Laboratories of Elizabeth, N. J., will be on campus the first part of next week to interview seventh and eighth term seniors who are majoring or minoring in chemistry, physics, mathematics or home economics and who are interested in research work. Appointments should be made at the Placement Office.

At the same time a representative will be on campus from the International Business Machines Corp. to interview anyone who would like to know about this field.

Free Speech

The editors are not responsible for opinions expressed in this column unless they are clearly prefaced by "Editors' Note."

To the Editors of the CAMPUS:

Last week this column published a letter which, as anticipated, aroused much discussion and much sentiment. If it accomplished nothing else (it was essentially an expression of personal inclination) the fact that discussion *did* result is effect enough; whether fraternity men merely ranted and blasphemed (the likelier of the two possibilities) or made constructive criticism, I don't know, but there is always a vague *chance* that they accepted what they knew to be true and considered means of rectifying previous conditions.

Writer a Neutral

The sentiment was directed toward the writer, obviously a neutral, who could not have possibly known whereof he spoke . . . The writer's information is based on several frank discussions with fraternity men during the present semester and semesters past. Of these men four especially contributed pertinent and revealing facts; they are all four very well known and very active. Two are in school now—the other two were members of Waubanakee, which speaks for itself as to their intelligence and respected position.

One comment overheard was that the charges made were too "broad"; definite circumstances were demanded as *proof* of "rottenness" and "fascism."

Fraternity History

Let them consider to themselves how Middlebury fraternal history has been corrupt with past evidence of prejudices and selfishness. They know it better than anyone else. All too numerous are accounts of Midd's achievements in sports suffering because of fraternity rivalries *within our teams.* Fraternity combinations in campus elections have often been responsible for placing inadequate men in office. Too often has one house held control over the Mountain Club, CAMPUS, *Kaleidoscope,* etc., to the exclusion of both neutrals and rival fraternity men more worthy of leading positions. Fraternity politics have been ever-present, restricting and distorting honest competition. Even now a fraternity man is taking part in one activity merely because "his house has always had someone in that organization"! Men have been expected to vote as fraternities rather than as individuals. The result has been a conflict of loyalties and obligations, a partitioning of Middlebury into eight campuses. Individually fine fellows; collectively—*fraternity men* above *anything else.* It is a detestable blotch on the reputation of the college that campus opportunities are open exclusively to those wearing a pin and even then only the pin of certain powerful houses; *and that in all but one house, a pin is denied adherents to a particular form of worship.* Democratic? Hardly!

A recent letter from a former Middlebury man, now two years overseas, reads as follows:

Midd Veteran

". . . You must have realized how deeply hurt I was when I failed to receive a pledge for a fraternity. If it weren't for several impervious friendships, the snub would have affected me much more seriously. *As it is, I don't care to expose*

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N.P.A. Publishes Poem Of Former V-12 Trainee

The National Poetry Association of Los Angeles, Calif., has announced that it has accepted for publication in the Annual Anthology of College Poetry, a poem, "Egotism" by Eugene A. Craig.

Eugene Craig was with the V-12 unit at Middlebury from July, 1944, to October, 1945. His home is in Salida, Col., and he graduated from Cotopaxi High in Cotopaxi, Col.

The Anthology is a compilation of the finest poetry written by the college men and women of America, representing every state in the country. Selections were made from thousands of poems submitted.

Holiday Evening Features Skits, Dances, Games

"The Gobbler's Gambol" drew a large group of students to the College gym last Wednesday for a Thanksgiving celebration.

Dormitory Skits

Entertainment was lively and continuous including square dancing, Bingo games, bridge, and fortune telling. The evening was highlighted by skits presented by groups of dormitories. Forest East and West combined to give an old-fashioned melodrama, including a pompous king and queen as characters, while Sanford House did a take-off on "One Man's Family."

Wilcox, Howard, Seeley, and Eaton Houses and the town girls presented a men's fashion show, depicting various typical men's styles. The performance of Pearsons, Hillcrest, Battell, Homestead, and Hillside consisted of a group of monologues including "Invitation to a Dance." Painter, Hepburn and Le Chateau joined to give a shadow show, presenting their skit more as a screen version than a stage production.

To complete the evening, refreshments were served. All members of the Women's college were granted 11 o'clock permission.

Committee Groups

Committes in charge of the affair were as follows:

Refreshments: Muriel E. Mack '47, chairman; Ernestine L. Rolls '47, Doris J. Maurer '48, Ann M. Walthal '48, Patricia Allen '49; Entertainment: Ruth E. Grotz '49, chairman; Patricia J. Prendergast '48, Priscilla R. Noyes '49, Beatrice E. Oetjen '49; Publicity: Barbara Morse '48, chairman; Joan L. Biggs '48, Elizabeth P. Reid '48, Miriam Wade '48; Decorations: Nancy M. Cheeseman '48, chairman; Annaliese M. Koster '47, Virginia M. Knudsen '48.

In past years it was the custom for the dormitories to sponsor individual dorm parties, but this year it was decided to replace these by one combined party.

Team Holds Debate On Atomic Energy

Carol M. Becker '46, manager of the women's debating team, and Margaret D. Armstrong '47 represented Middlebury in its first debate of the term with New York State Teachers college in Albany last Thursday night on the topic, Resolved: "That all patents on atomic energy should remain the property of the United States federal government."

The Middlebury debaters upheld the negative side of the argument. In debating the affirmative side, the Teachers college speakers limited themselves to atomic energy as found in the atomic bomb, so the judges declared that there was no fair basis for deciding the debate. They did say however, that, excluding this difference in subject matter, the Middlebury team was entitled to the decision.

Friday afternoon in a contest with Syracuse university, the debating team upheld the affirmative side of the proposition, Resolved: "That the institution of the emperor of Japan be abolished." Nancy A. Rathgeb '47 and Miss Armstrong were Middlebury's speakers in this non-decision debate.

After the formal debate, speech professors from Syracuse talked with the students, giving their opinions on the quality of the speeches and a criticism of the debate.

Jean Birkenstein '49 and Shirley E. Davidson '49 upheld the affirmative of the topic, Resolved: "That the policy of the United States should be directed to the establishment of free trade among the nations of the world," in a non-decision debate with the University of Vermont Tuesday night in Munroe Hall.

ALUMNI NOTES

Priscilla Hodges '45 has received a full tuition and maintenance scholarship from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for a course in Physiotherapy at the Bouve School, Boston, Mass.

Paula G. Knight '45 is employed at the Harvard Underwater Sounds Laboratories.

Mortar Board Presents Sorority System

Sorority Advocates Stress Social Gains, Scholarship

At the onset of the discussion of the value of sororities, it must be emphasized that only about 50 per cent of the freshman class can be taken into sororities. This is not an arbitrary rule set up to keep people out of sororities, but originated in the Pan-Hellenic decision that it would be to the good of the whole college if there were a balance between neutral and sorority women. Because of this balance, those who do not join sororities need have no feeling of being left out, or of not being an integral part of Middlebury life. Included among those who take the neutral position are some who choose it, either during rushing or before, because of their personal convictions; and some who wish to join, but do not receive bids. Though these girls may be hurt they must remember that sororities never are as important as they seem on the day that the bids come out. They must also remember that they may very well get a chance to join later, at which time they will know much better what they desire.

Challenge to Individual

Every elective system is a challenge to the individual. College students are selected on the basis of past accomplishments in high school, both academic and extra-curricular. Organizations such as the Campus, the Kalleid, and the language clubs choose their members because of special accomplishments and talents. Jobs after college are obtained through past records or personal appearance. Sorority selection is made, not on dress, or background, or financial standing, as many may think, but on the personality of the individual, not by superficialities, but by true merit, insofar as it is possible to judge. It is true that some people can project their personalities more rapidly and successfully than others, but that does not mean that these others who have not been recognized need feel they have failed in any way or lost the opportunity of getting what they expected from college. No, it should be a challenge to them to improve themselves, to learn to meet and know people and to make people know them. It is a challenge for them to capitalize on their assets. The hurt inflicted must be balanced against the incentive to improve their personalities while they are still in college, and while change is easier than later on in life.

It has been voted this year to have deferred rushing so that you can get to know the upperclassmen, and they to know you. Whether this is successful or not remains to be seen, but it means that there will be no excuse for a freshman entering rushing in a confused and unbalanced state.

Opportunity for Contacts

Rushing itself, by the very nature of its system, makes it possible for upper class sorority women to have the opportunity of meeting all freshmen and vice versa. Would they be likely to have these contracts in their day-to-day living?

But the question is whether sororities can justify their existence by the benefits that they give their members and the college. We are speaking here of sororities as they function on the Middlebury campus, and not in an effort to justify sororities on other campuses.

The sorority can give the individual training in meeting and working with people. This can also be done in other organizations, but is that any reason why it should not be done in more than one place? The advantage in getting this training through a sorority is that the group is interested in your personality, and not just what you are giving the group. Here you help yourself by thinking of others, and they at the same time help you. By service you get assistance; but in an organization that is interested primarily in some non-personal end, what you gain is entirely up to you. The individual who has less drive than the normal leadership will improve more with the personal touch than in an organization where the natural leader inevitably comes to the top. The emphasis the sororities put upon scholarship causes certain students, who otherwise would let things go, to attempt to improve their study habits for the benefit of the group. The organization, and hence the chance for offices in sororities gives the individual leadership, responsibility, and initiative. Other organizations, of course, give these opportunities, but the impersonal nature of a national organization means that no matter how difficult the responsibility given an individual, it must be carried through. This can give fine training for later life.

Value After College

But the value of the sorority to the individual does not stop after college. Many people have found the social advantages of belonging to a sorority of paramount help when going to live in a new community. And sometimes the ties of sororities can bind alumnae to their campus long after all other ties are broken.

Among the tangible advantages of belonging to a national organization are the scholarships and fellowships, which, in many cases, are open to both neutral and sorority women, both during and after college. These are given on the basis of worth. As national organizations and local chapters sororities try to contribute their share to public welfare.

Think for a minute—what is the basis of the Middlebury spirit? Is it not a unity on campus? By interweaving various groups, sororities can help cement this unity. The friendships of floors in a dormitory are bound to occur whether there are sororities or not. But it is the friendships of girls all over campus and among the four classes that gives the campus a unified spirit. Friendships can be made through interdorm parties and other organizations and the quota system, yes, and these may be very valuable. But every opportunity to know more people well, and to act in a common cause should be seized. It is to be hoped that these other ways will be used more in the future, so that there will be a unified feeling between neutrals and sorority well as a Pan-Hellenic feeling.

Friendships Obtained in Sororities

Through sororities, however, many of our deepest friendships are made. These friendships include all four classes. They are brought about by working for common goals, by constant contact, and by belief in the practice of common ideals.

In the bonds of sorority friendships, people are woven together. Each one knows at least 30 sorority sisters well, besides the friends she makes through other organizations and living groups. This broadens college contacts until, multiplied by the other sorority women, it ultimately serves to knit the whole college into a better unity.

It is very hard to tell you freshmen exactly what are the intangibles which may be gained from sororities. They are presented in token by sorority songs, by sorority's rituals and pins. But these are only tokens. They stand for something that if analyzed goes deep into the individual. It is basically unselfish. The advantages gained are so inextricably bound to the advantages given, that self become relatively unimportant.

The Essence of Ideals

In organization, sororities may be undemocratic. That is a debatable point. Yet through these organizations individuals are built up. They can then go forth to work for democratic principles as better people. Many of their ideas are similar to Christian ideals; but if ideals are right, they are universal, and the more ways they are instilled in one, the better it is. Who can deny this?

Perhaps some day the whole college will be one body of democratic, unselfish individuals striving together for high ideals. Yet, until that day is attained, many girls feel that sororities give a definite contribution to their members, and to the development of such a college.

ALUMNAE NOTES

Dorothy Laux '45 was awarded a Pi Beta Phi scholarship to study for her Master's Degree in Journalism at Louisiana State University.

Marjorie Watson '45 is employed in the Drafting department of the Bell Telephone Laboratories in New York City.

The papers pro and con sororities which appear on this page were delivered by Margaret B. Hood '46, president of Mortar Board, at a meeting of freshman women and transfers held Monday night in Mead Chapel.

The meeting, sponsored by the senior women's honorary society, was held for the freshmen and transfers for the purpose of presenting to them both sides of the sorority system.

Free Speech

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myself to the same sort of thing all over again. I'm thankful I'm strong enough not to have become neurotic by the whole thing, but just think what effect this is having each year on that certain few who, due to some defect which the mob deems undesirable, are denied the right of feeling like part of the group. But that's all past and rather depressing, too . . . " This veteran states further that he will not return to Middlebury chiefly because of these very circumstances. . . .

Free Achievement

I repeat, "If a man is worth anything, or has anything, or desires to *give* anything to school life, he should be able to do so on his *own recognizance* without the support of an 'Inner Sanctum.'"

As for the anonymity of the previous letter, comment follows the line of "lack of courage of conviction, temerity, failure to carry the weight of sincere endorsement." . . . All too often in such a statement as last week's, the bases for rebuke, criticism, and attack are the personality of the author, especially when the article is fundamentally irrefutable and the only grounds for comeback are through the character of the contributor.

RAY SACHER '47.

To the Editors:

After reading last week's editorial we feel that the CAMPUS can no longer be regarded as an unbiased paper. We would would like to refute that editorial, for the writer was both prejudiced and invalid in many of her statements.

"We should like to inform the writer that the idea of a Forum originated in Pan-Hel. Pan-Hel did not refuse to support such a forum, but after due consideration felt that more time was needed to adequately prepare the material. After it was decided the forum should be postponed, the idea that those girls who feel sororities are against their principles being allowed to break their affiliations, was considered. This idea did not come from "outside influence" as the editorial suggested, but from the sorority girls themselves who felt that even though the majority of each sorority should leave, those girls who believe in them should be allowed to carry on. The editorial failed to mention that along with this idea Pan-Hel advocated that some non-partisan group, as Mortar Board, should present, not only this year, but every year, the pros and cons of the sorority question. This would mean that the freshmen would never go through rushing without full knowledge of the entire system.

The idea of giving girls a two-month period in which to hand in their pins was suggested by an "outside influence" for the benefit of those girls so that rash decisions would not be made at the present, and not to "effectively eliminate" any opposition to sororities should a vote be taken in the spring. As a matter of fact, Pan-Hel is *considering* a plan which allows all sorority women as of the fall of '45 to have a vote.

We neither approve nor appreciate the slur on our "outside influence" which obviously refers to our alumnae. We have a responsibility to live up to which our alumnae have given us and we do not feel we are qualified to disregard their opinions.

We hope that this will help to clarify the actions of the Panhellenic Council and will show that Pan-Hel is not "an impotent head of seven different organizations."

And now—shall we abolish sororities? In their place we would have many small unorganized cliques without a purpose or ideals behind them. How much better to have seven larger groups working for something worthwhile!

We believe it is definitely wrong to tear down sororities which have many good points without offering something constructive to take their place. When some constructive organization, which supplies for a greater majority the benefits gained from sororities, is in operation, sorority women will be among the first to adopt it. Until then sororities are "necessary to make Middlebury the college that will prepare us for the future."

JANET WILSON,
MARJORY HARRISON,
JEAN CRAWFORD,
ANN CURRY,
HAZEL GODFREY.

Lack of Democracy Voiced In Non-Sorority Viewpoints

There is much discussion at the present time as to the value of continuing sororities on the Middlebury campus. Many non-sorority and also some sorority women feel that the opinions presented in favor of sororities do not justify their existence.

It has been argued that sororities develop leadership in their members in that they crystallize personality and develop social poise. But generally those students who need poise and a chance to develop their personalities are ignored by sororities. Because of their possible inexperience in living with large groups of girls, they are comparatively undeveloped socially and fail to make the first impression that is necessary under the usual rushing practices. The real leader, the student with natural ability to inspire and direct others in various fields of activity should not need the prestige of a sorority pin in order to get the honors which she deserves.

Question of Cliques

Some people are afraid that if sororities did not exist as organized groups there would be vicious cliques; they fail to consider the fact that the tendency to form cliques is natural in human beings. There are as many cliques in this college as there are dormitory floors. But there is a difference between the natural groups and the one which is perpetuated by artificial means. You do not choose the classmates who enter the sorority with you. You select, and are selected by upperclassmen.

The natural cliques which go on unnoticed—an indication of their harmless organization—are formed by students with common interests, common activities and harmonious personalities. On the other hand, the sorority must create a common interest and is not a spontaneous group.

Sorority women emphasize the fact that they are members not only of a local group but also of a national organization which will help them in their after-college contacts. The influence of such an affiliation is believed by some to be very valuable. It has yet to be proved, however, that the reputation of a group to which one belongs is a vital factor in after-college success. It is doubtful whether these benefits justify the existence of an expensive, regulatory national organization. Anyone knows from personal experience that he makes his lifetime social contacts through people with common interests as he does in the natural college associations rather than through a common Greek letter. This attitude towards the value of sorority membership in later life is inconsistent with the ideals of a liberal arts college, ideals which stress that the individual should develop potentialities and abilities which will make him dependent upon himself and not dependent upon the reputation of a group.

Charitable Work

One of the constructive activities which sororities use as a justification of their existence is their charitable work. Sorority women are obligated by their sorority. Compulsory charity is questionable. There are other ways in Middlebury for students to contribute their time for the common good if they are sincerely interested in this type of service.

Because sororities are basically social, there seems to be little justification for the great amount of time which sorority members are compelled to give to their groups. One night every week is required and there are such further assessments of time as special functions, cleaning the rooms, cooking, redecorating, planning for rushing, etc. In addition, most members hold offices which require more of their time. For the benefits received, the cost in time and money is very high.

No Ideals Before?

Sorority women believe that their groups have given them ideals by which to live. There are religious ideals which they cannot say have been hidden from them until they came to college. It is unfortunate, indeed, if one has to wait until college years to develop a personal set of values and moral ideals. If, however, they are convinced that sorority ideals have such value to them as college women, why do they keep them a secret from the rest of the world? Is any secret organization justified?

The principles involved in the selection of sorority members are undemocratic. The laws and prejudices towards Jewish students, and on some campuses towards Catholics and Negroes as well, should not recommend the sorority system to any broadminded individual, because in joining a sorority there is an implied responsibility for the national principles. Any discrimination is inconsistent with the ideals of a college in which the students have voluntarily and spontaneously promoted such activities as the Interfaith Group, Culture Conference and Student Action Assembly, all of which aim to promote better understanding among peoples.

More Subtle Barriers

Such racial and religious discrimination is obvious; other barriers are more subtle. Sororities choose girls on a superficial basis—they are apt to choose those who are poised and smooth, potential leaders, those who are "good kids" or related to "good kids." Those who are reserved or awkward, or who find it hard to make friends and influence upperclassmen are often ignored.

This discrimination has a very definite harmful effect upon individuals. It makes the adjustment to college life more difficult. Many freshmen are away from home for the first time. The unnecessary sense of failure and exclusion often permanently warps the personality of one who is not rushed. The hurt varies in degrees but the unfairness is still there. While it is true that one meets up with failure and discrimination all through life, why erect additional barriers and cause unnecessary hurt when the world is already too full of both? Does it justify one wrong to say that other wrongs exist?

Continued Discriminatory Prejudices

Sorority discrimination does not end with the end of rushing. It may set up prejudices which continue throughout one's college career and which may be seen in rivalry among sororities for key positions in college government and other organizations. It promotes a form of snobbery—the pride of the pin—and gives some sorority women a feeling of false security because "they belong."

How can the sorority woman advocate democratic world unity when she outwardly bears the sign of membership in an undemocratic, discriminatory system? She is supporting a nationwide policy of unchristian ethics.

Those who think that such arguments make a mountain out of a molehill fail to see that the implications are more than merely the necessity of sororities on this campus. Are sororities justifiable anywhere?

It has been stressed that world unity calls for intelligent, broadminded, democratic individuals. And as members of a college whose purpose, we hope, is to prepare us to be world citizens, we should begin practicing here in our college community those ideals which we must profess.

To reform the world, we must begin with ourselves. To those who fear that the abolition of sororities at Middlebury will cause disunity, there are several solutions possible which will in reality provide more unity by making Student Union more effective and the Honor System more successful. The proposals are as follows:

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Atom Letter Gets Many Signatures

Grigg Speaks in Chapel On U.N.O. Control For Bomb

Twenty-five members of the facult, 30 members of the administration and 501 students signed and sent a letter last week to President Harry S. Truman concerning the atomic bomb.

This letter was drawn up by S. A. A. and presented to the student body in a chapel address by Barbara Grigg '46, Student Union president, on Wednesday, November 14. The letter is as follows:

College Letter

"We, the undersigned, members of the administration, faculty and student body of Middlebury College, wish to express our grave concern over the threat to world security presented by the Atomic Bomb.

"We feel that the use of atomic power must be controlled by the United Nations Organization.

"Complete national sovereignty is becoming obsolete. It is now imperative to delegate this responsibility of control to the one authority endowed with the power to maintain world peace and order. If the United States, as a leading nation, shows this trust, the United Nations Organization will gain the full confidence and respect of the remaining member nations.

"In view of this, it is urgent that complete control of atomic power be delegated to the United Nations Organization in the immediate future. Furthermore, we will not support any proposal which discriminates in any way against a member nation."

Congressmen Contacted

Duplicates of the letter and the number of people signing it have been sent to the Vermont senators and representatives. Copies which may be sent to the students' congressmen may be obtained from Ruth Murphy '48.

Wednesday afternoon S. A. A. sponsored a discussion of the bomb's control. Charles Scott was moderator. All students attending approved of the letter. Discussion centered around establishing confidence among nations. It was brought out that delegation of this power to the UNO would be a step in this direction and that we should study Russia and make an effort to break down her fear of us. The UNO could use its possession of the bomb as an active threat to world conflict.

Miss Grigg brought out in her speech that the so-called "secret" is, according to scientists, not a secret. Any nation could discover the method of its manufacture in about six months, she said.

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Alternative Proposals

1. Openhouses might be scheduled in various dormitories on the campus to get all students better acquainted.

2. An exchange of students might be arranged between various dining rooms.

3. The big-little sister relationship could become more definite and meaningful.

4. Dormitory parties could be planned from time to time throughout the year.

5. The quota system in dormitories could be reestablished.

6. A Student Union center could be established as a common meeting place of students from all over the campus.

The Honor System would become more complete because the present inconsistency between college rules and Pan-Hellenic regulations such as the silence period would be eliminated. According to current practices, the honor system does not apply to the enforced silence between freshmen and sorority women during rushing. This regulation indicates obvious distrust.

The influence of sororities on conduct and social attitude, could be taken care of by Student Union and thus touch each student on the women's campus.

To reform the world we must begin with ourselves. If we haven't already formulated our own principles, now is the time to establish a moral code and start living up to it. The college woman in the present world should be prepared to answer the question, "Are the principles for which sorority women stand consistent with those by which I wish to live for the rest of my life?"

Bold Adventurer Scorns Obstacles In Climbing Spire

By Steeple Jack

It has been said by a disparaging few, that life at Middlebury is satisfying to bovine individuals, but for the more daring, the peace of these Vermont hills becomes, at times, unbearable. Such a statement denotes an adventurous soul, which should by no means be neglected.

Hidden Mecca

To continue in a lucid and literally acceptable fashion; I have recently returned from a short but exhausting, shall we say, episode. A hidden mecca for the thwarted parachutist is the Mead Chapel spire. Many have gazed at its lofty crown, but who among you have dared to challenge and conquer it?

Many make their way to the foot of this giant, in the bell-ringing loft, but only one look is enough to discourage the faint-hearted. The climb begins with a 25-foot ascent, straighten up, at a 90 degree angle with terra firma. This is best made by a hand-over-hand technique, but here I warn you! Never look back. Catch sight of your objective and never let it escape you.

Final Triumph

Once this hazard has been safely passed, a new and greater one confronts you. This little number is a parallel climb of but 10 feet. There is nothing below you, to obstruct your view of the ground, *way* down there. Then a quick scramble upward and you reach the comparative safety of the belfry. But to the true pioneer, the unknown is calling. Up and up we go! The trail becomes narrow, the path more perilous, but that one thought obliterates all others. At last, at last, we see the top, the end in sight, the glory won. We have conquered it.

Robinson Presents Program for Tone

Elizabeth E. Robinson '48, president of Tone, has announced the club's program for the remainder of the semester. At each meeting there will be a talk and music.

Nov. 28. "Music of the Classics and Its Influence on Modern American Music" —Prof. Alan Carter.

Dec. 12. Christmas Program—Elizabeth M. Cone '46 and Suzanne P. Staub '47.

Jan. 9. "American Jazz"—Jean N. Rapaport '48.

Jan. 23. "George Gershwin" — Jeanne Hutchinson '49.

Feb. 6. Recital by the various members of Tone—Eleuftheria X. Constant '48.

With the coming of winter, the club will have Sunday afternoon cocoas, at the Music Studio, in Professor Carter's office, to listen to the New York Philharmonic concerts. These gatherings are expected to start after Christmas.

The Saturday chapel programs, sponsored by the club, have been temporarily assigned to the last Saturday of each month. The artists who will perform have not been announced.

ALUMNI NOTES

Mary E. Wisotsky '45 has announced her engagement to Bruce McClellan of Spring Grove, Pa.

Mary Louise Dutton '44 was married to Robert E. Dolphin, Jr., on September 29, 1945, in Middlebury.

A daughter, Elizabeth Edna, was born to Tech.-Sgt. and Mrs. Donald Marham (Marjorie Palmer '44) on August 28.

The engagement of Richard W. Fales ex-'45 and Mary T. Miller of Roslyn, Long Island, has been announced.

Elise Van Leuven '45 and Richard S. Morehouse '43 have announced their engagement.

Jean Bell Andrews ex-'44 is secretary to the head of the Medical Department at N. Y. U.

Barbara Blair '45 is associated with the United States News.

Dorothy Compton '45 has enrolled in a commercial art course in French at the Latin American Institute in New York.

Barbara Drury '45 is employed in the Howard-Wesson Co. in Worcester, Mass.

Bettina Stringer '45 is affiliated with the Morse Advertising Co. in New York City.

M. Corliss '48 Sings on Radio Every Tuesday

A. Ronni McKenney '48

There is hidden talent on campus. Despite her effervescent and vivacious personality, Marmete Corliss '48 has been holding out on us. Only a select group have been aware of her singing career.

Every Tuesday afternoon at 3.45 o'clock this group can be seen huddled around their radios listening to Marmete's weekly broadcast over station WSYB in Rutland (1380 on your dial.) Her program consists of 15 minutes of uninterrupted popular music with a piano accompanist.

Marmete started her training at the age of 15, in St. Albans, Vt., her hometown. During this time she did some church soloing. Last summer she sang over the radio in St. Albans on a local station. In September of this year Marmete made an appearance as guest artist over station WCAX in Burlington.

Although Marmete has a contralto voice which lends itself to all types of popular songs, she prefers the more expressive and sincere, or as she puts it, "the songs of lasting importance." Her favorite at the moment is Rodger's and Hart's *Where or When*. Other favorites are: *Moon Glow*, and *The Breeze and I*. You can recognize her program by her theme song, *Blue Moon*.

M. Shurtz Heads Vt. Athletic Group

As announced this week by the College Press Office, Miss Maxine Shurtz, Instructor in Physical Education at Middlebury College, was appointed Vermont Representative of the National Women's Athletic association. Plans for a meeting of the Vermont State committee of the National section on Women's Athletics are now being made by Miss Shurtz. The meeting will be held in Middlebury on Saturday, December 8.

The 18 members of Miss Shurtz' committee represent the various high schools, colleges and junior colleges, as well as city and state recreation personnel, throughout the state. The Vermont committee is sponsoring both a Play Day and a Dance Symposium which are to be given by the University of Vermont early in February. Basketball, volleyball, badminton, and ping pong contests will also

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JENKINS ATTENDS RELIGIOUS FORUM

"Religion's Part in Reconstruction" was the subject of a forum held Sunday evening, November 11, at the University of Vermont which was attended by Chaplain and Mrs. Marshall Jenkins, June S. Brogger '46, Mary E. Cummings '46, Elizabeth A. Curry '46, and Hazel I. Godfrey '46.

This forum was a part of a general parley held at the university on the subject of "Religion and Life." Among the speakers were the Rev. Ben Richardson, formerly associate pastor of the First Abyssinian church in Harlem; Rabbi Harry Stern of Montreal; the Rev. Ralph Hyslop, Congregational minister to students at the university; and the Rev. M. J. Ahern, Catholic priest from Weston college in Massachusetts. All the speakers stressed the part that religion could take in the elimination of prejudice. The forum was ended by a general discussion.

Esther Kennedy Plays In "Song of Bernadette"

Esther Kennedy, a graduate of Middlebury in the class of '45, has just completed three weeks with the Boston Stock Co., playing the title roll in "Song of Bernadette."

Previous to this production Miss Kennedy was with the Plymouth Stock Co., where she played in "Personal Appearance" and "Spring Freshet." During her years at Middlebury she was active in dramatics, and had leading parts in many plays.

UVM Dance Group To Visit Midd Club

The U. V. M. Modern Dance club has been invited to a "supper meeting" with the Middlebury Dance club on Saturday, December 1, from 3.00 to 6.30 in Forest Rec. room. The supper will be served for the 15 members of the U. V. M. Dance club and the 45 members of the Middlebury club. Members of the modern dance group who are living in the Homestead will take charge of the dinner. Before the supper, each club will present a small dance story.

The Dance club is cooperating with other college activity groups by holding practices in three different dormitories. The entire club meets on Wednesdays in Forest Rec. On Fridays, the club members meet in Hepburn, and the dance group practices at Pearsons. All meetings last from 4 to 5.30 o'clock.

One of the Dance club's innovations for this year is a bulletin board in the gym, on which all articles pertaining to modern dancing are posted. A schedule of the club meetings will be posted on the bulletin board.

Fashion Lectures Presented at Midd

"The Impression You Make" and "How to Achieve the Right Look" were the topics chosen by Miss Elizabeth Osborne, consultant in personal development, for her lectures to the Women's college last Wednesday and Thursday nights in Forest Rec.

Miss Osborne travels around the country speaking with various college groups and business women on the development of their appearances.

Wednesday night she said that the obvious impressions such as one's dress and face are important but equally important are smaller things such as the way one walks, sits, speaks, one's facial expression, and the sound of the voice. She also prescribed exercises in posture and reducing for those who might profit by them.

Thursday night Miss Osborne showed her audience hair styles and discussed make-up.

An authority on grooming and styling, Miss Osborne held conferences with some of the girls who wished to speak with her individually. She showed them becoming hair styles and recommended dress and exercises.

Forum to Give Party For Ripton Children

Interfaith to Present Skit, I. French to Portray Santa Claus

Every child of school or pre-school age residing in Ripton will be entertained by Forum at a Christmas party Friday, December 14. Janet Shaw '46 is chairman of the program.

Movies and a short skit presented by the Interfaith group will constitute the entertainment. Each child will receive two gifts, one of a practical nature, the other "just for fun," from Irwin K. French who will act as Santa Claus.

Committees are as follows: Entertainment, Anna D. Marden '47, Doris A. Palm '48; transportation, Ruth A. Britton '47; refreshments, Sarah McCullough '47; gifts, Marion Armstrong '46, Lois E. Brigham '47.

Helen I. Bellwood '46 is in charge of distributing Thanksgiving baskets to needy Middlebury families.

A tentative Forum project is the opening of a Community House in Ripton for the purpose of teaching arts, crafts and dancing to the children of that vicinity. Transportation by the faculty must be arranged before the program is started. Russell G. Sholes, professor of sociology, and Miss Lois Stearns, public health nurse, are advisors for the plan.

This year's membership of 350 for 1945-46 marks the largest enrollment since Forum was inaugurated in 1941.

Rowley '46 Elected Literary Club Head

Katherine A. Rowley '46 was elected president of the Literary club at a meeting held Thursday, November 15.

Other officers are: Secretary, Glenna E. Seely '48, and program chairman, Virginia L. Stowell '47. Irmgard Nierhaus '47 is to be chairman of the Abernethy group. Elaine A. Gundacker '48 and Jean L. Morton '48 are Humanities representatives of the club.

It was decided that the meetings would be held twice a month, on Tuesdays. Dues are to be 25 cents. *Directions*, the college literary magazine, will be published some time in the spring. The editorial staff consists of G. Evelyn Pierce '47, Miss Rowley and Joan C. Seidenman '47.

MIDDLEBURY HOMAGE

Reported Killed

Simeon Hilton Atwood '40, Lt. Naval Reserve.

James Wilson Averill '43, Army.

Richard Miller Barclay '40, Lt. (j.g.) Naval Reserve Aviation.

Malcolm Wellington Bird '41, Ens. Naval Reserve Aviation.

Herbert Cecil Brokenshire '20, Lt. Comdr. Chaplain, Naval Reserve.

Charles Wright Bundy '12, Lt. Col. Army.

Grover Murray Burrows '40, A/C Naval Reserve.

William Hale Calkins '44, Army Infantry.

George Mitchell Curl '41, Ens. Naval Reserve Aviation.

Robert Bruce Davidson '41, Lt. Marine Corps Reserve.

William Donald Emery '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

William Forssell Ericson '43, Lt. Marine Air Corps.

Edward Hicks Gesner '46, Army.

Edward Gignac '42, Major Army Air Corps.

Valmer Julian Goltry '30, American Red Cross.

Charles Rowley Gordon '43, Lt. Army Artillery.

Gordon Graham '43, Pvt. Army.

Robert Wesley Hailigan '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Norman Elden Hatfield '41, Army Air Corps.

Frederick Crockett Hawkes '43, Lt. Marine Air Corps.

David Stansfield Hunter '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Emery Thomas Hutchins '34, Sgt. Army.

John Strong Hutchinson '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Jonathan G. Izant '45, Lt. Army Infantry.

David Stewart Johnson, TM 1/C Naval Reserve.

Thomas Kellegrew '43, E/C U. S. Merchant Marine.

Russell Foster Kenneson '41, Army

Chester Edward Klein '43, E/C U. S. Merchant Marine.

Armand Norbert LaFlamme '37, Lt. Naval Reserve.

William Loewenstein '44, Pfc. Army.

Thomas Alfred MacDonald '43, Lt. Army Air Corps.

John Williams Malm '41, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Madison Jordon Manchester '33, Lt. Army.

Lawrence Philip Marsh '40, T/Sgt. Army Fair Forces.

William Joseph McLoughry, Lt. Army Air Corps.

William Marshall Miller '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Frank Chester Moore '46, Army.

Robert Everts Pierce '42, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Robert Douglas Post '40, Lt. (j.g.) Naval Reserve Aviation.

John Allan Robinson '44, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Burt Henry Rolfe '44, Pvt. Army.

William Bernard Sandford '45, Pfc. Army.

William Schild '41, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Lloyd Adrian Sears, Sgt. Army.

John Paul Stabile '40, Lt. Army.

Robert Ramsay Stuart '43, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Charles Swift '43, Lt. Army Air Corps.

Howard Winfield Wade '40, Lt. Naval Reserve Aviation.

Donald Jensen Wiltsie '38. Lt. Army Air Corps.

Gardner Wright '43, S/Sgt. Army Air Forces.

Philip Capell Wright '40. Ens. Naval Reserve Aviation.

Twelve Colleges Invited to Enter Winter Carnival

Returning Skiers Strengthen Teams

Alan Wolfley

Ski competition in Middlebury's fourteenth annual Winter Carnival is now being arranged by Manager Joseph B. L'Episcopo '48 who announced this week that invitations have been sent to Amherst, Dartmouth, University of New Hampshire, McGill, University of Vermont, Harvard, West Point, Williams, R. P. I., St. Lawrence, Norwich and Union.

Dartmouth Threat

With a quick look around this skiing circuit, we see that once again Dartmouth is one of the biggest threats to any skiing title. "The Big Green" from Hanover, is under the direction of Walter Prager, who has turned out such men as Jake Nunnemacher, brother of Barbara and Audrey—former Midd students, Dick Durance, Roger Simpter and the Bradley and Meserve brothers. Dartmouth is back to civilian status once again, and it is expected that they will have a team equalling those of former years.

West Point, with a wealth of manpower at its disposal, is once again training, with Capt. Victor Constant, ex-Norwich star, as its coach. Last year the Hudson River boys fielded two complete teams and were close on the heels of the winner of our Winter Carnival.

Manpower Shortage

Like all schools that do not have service units located on campus, the University of New Hampshire, has the problem of a shortage of men. An effort by Coach

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CLUB NOTES

French Club

The French club is sponsoring a clothing and book drive, which was officially opened by a speech given in chapel last Tuesday. It is to last for a week.

The clothing drive is the French club's project but does not conflict with Forum. Everyone is encouraged to contribute at least one article of clothing which will go to the university students in France. An agent has been appointed to collect the clothes for each dormitory.

The book drive is a cooperative one on the part of the club and Forum. The French club is especially interested in obtaining books for students and young children in France who are interested in learning English. Forum wants books for the library in Ripton.

German Club

German art and artists were the topics of the program at the German club meeting held last night in the German House. Prof. Werner Neuse showed slides of art done by such German masters as Albrecht Durer and Hans Hobein.

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Plans Discussed For Student Club To Fly at Bristol

Plans for the formation of a Flying club here on campus were discussed at a meeting of those interested on Monday, November 19, at 4 o'clock in Munroe. Dan Hedden '48 spoke to the group and explained the aims of the club and the qualifications for membership.

Reduced Fees

Students under 21 must have written permission from their parents. An initial fee of $50, which is a slightly reduced rate, is another requirement. This will pay for six hours of dual flying time, after which solo flying, which is less expensive, could begin. At present the club will be limited to about 20 members, but if sufficient interest is shown, it can be enlarged past this quota.

Transportation to the Bristol airport, where the lessons will be given, will be provided at a nominal charge to be divided among the members. Mr. Joseph Rock will be the instructor and will use the "Rocket Chief" type plane.

A. S. A. Affiliation

There is a possibility in the future of affiliation with the American School of Aeronautics, an organization which has sponsored flying clubs in other colleges. This group supplies instructors who teach such ground courses as meteorology, navigation, etc. If completed, these courses would be credited toward graduation. At this time rates might be lowered.

Organization of the club is still indefinite. The constitution must be passed by Student Life committee, and officers will be elected at some later date. In charge of preliminary arrangements are Robert B. Rowley '46, Mr. Hedden, and Joseph B. L'Episcopo '48.

ATHLETIC HEAD

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be featured. Those colleges which will participate in the contests are: Middlebury college, the University of Vermont, Bennington college, Castleton State Normal school, and Green Mountain Junior college. In the Dance Symposium dance techniques and composition in modern dance will be demonstrated. The dance clubs of Middlebury, Bennington, and the University of Vermont will be invited to take part.

The purpose of the N. S. W. A., an organization of trained women in the field of physical education and recreation, is to promote helpful and desirable athletic programs for girls and women of all ages. It is also to provide trained leadership for the promotion of such programs.

This year the committee is devoting much time to the reorganization of the Vermont Officials' Rating Board through which high schools, colleges, and other groups may secure trained women to officiate at women's basketball games.

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Matters of Record

Burch Day

Capitol No. 184.....Martha Tilton
Stranger In Town (a)
I Should Care (b)

It gives us a great deal of satisfaction to see Martha getting the notices she deserves. In the late 30's, this vocalist was at the top of the heap. Making records of this quality should do much to restore her to her former position. "Stranger" is a fine vehicle for Martha's talents; it gives her a chance ot put a tremendous amount of feeling into the interpretation. The backing, by a Capitol studio orchestra with nothing better to do, is just mediocre as is the arrangement they play. Martha is the only good item on this side, and she is very good. "I Should Care" spots Jo Stafford aces and spades and still comes out ahead. In spite of the orchestration, the Tilton voice is sufficient excuse for this record. With Paul Weston playing the fine arrangements for Tilton that he plays for Jo Stafford, Martha's recordings should be best sellers in every respect.

Capitol No. 199.....Jo Stafford
Friend of Yours (a)
Sunny Side of the Street (b) with the Pied Pipers

This record is one of the best yet made under the new Capitol label. "Friend of Yours" is a good example of the Stafford treatment. With the able assistance of Paul Weston's orchestra Jo takes a good tune and gives a fine three minutes' entertainment. The reverse side, however, is the object of our orchids for the week. "Sunny Side" can be called great without lowering the hurdles at all. The combination of Stafford, the Pied Pipers, and the Weston group is worth many paragraphs, but not having the space, we can only recommend a few of the more out-

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'Death Takes a Holiday' Displays Realistic Mood

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Edward M. Flaherty '47 was outstanding as the Baron, and did much to lend a more professional touch to the production. Paul V. Costello '48, although not a strong actor, is most potent in his intensely dramatic scenes. J. David Hunt '48, Barbara L. Parcher '47, Bert Hass '48, Irmgard Nierhaus '48, Irene F. Wallerstein '48, Shirley A. Tisdale '48, and Thomas Skelton '49 added considerably to the play in their supporting roles.

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Varsity Basketball Squads Chosen To Compete in Approaching Season

SAA Discusses Attitude of U.S. Toward Russia

Capt. H. Cotton Minchin of the British Embassy in Washington was guest speaker on an S. A. A. sponsored panel on Russia held last Friday evening. Professors Waldo H. Heinrichs and Robert W. Rafuse also spoke. Mary A. Albertson '46 was moderator.

Questions on Russia

Professor Heinrichs stated a number of questions people have asked about Russia, and told how he felt they would be answered by a Russian. Russia picked on Finland because she was a German satellite. "Where would we be today," he stated, "If Sweden had allowed us through her border against Russia?"

"Russia's desire to share control over Japan is no different from our sharing control in Berlin. Russia is much nearer to China and Japan than we are to Germany and the Pacific, so why should she be forbidden bases in the Red Sea when we have them in the Pacific?" he continued.

Russian Goodwill

Some evidences of Russian goodwill are that she offered to disarm in 1936, offered aid to Czechoslovakia in 1938, took 75 per cent of the weight of the German attack, and appreciated what we did, Professor Heinrichs explained.

Professor Rafuse discussed our attitude towards the USSR. Our reaction is one of fear, he said, which we try to partially suppress by thinking the facts are not what they are. There is no substitute for power politics. The reason we don't like power politics is because Russia is so powerful and we resent her using her power, he explained. If we don't play the game and cooperate with her we will clash with her.

The statement that we will share the Atom Bomb with Russia if she will tell us her intentions is an insulting proposal, Professor Rafuse declared, and went on to explain that her intentions are perfectly clear—she wants security in Eastern Europe.

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Brown's Courtmen To Play Union 5 December 8

Coach Arthur M. Brown, in a move destined to enhance the future of Midd court strength, has announced the members of two varsity basketball squads. It is believed that Squad I will see the major part of action during the coming season, but February will witness the graduation and draft call of at least four of the men composing this squad. Accordingly, Coach Brown will replace these departing men from among the complement of Squad II.

Squad Transfers

It must be borne in mind that the dividing line between these two squads is, in many cases, quite difficult to distinguish. Squad II is composed of many capable court men, and as they develop further with additional practice and seasoning, it is entirely possible that several of these men will be transferred to Squad I.

As determined by Coach Brown, Squad I is composed of the following men:

Name	*Height*	*Weight*
Donald Burn	6' 3"	175
Prescott Carr	5, 10"	160
Russell Dale	6' 2"	165
Corwin Elwell	6' 1"	165
Lewis Ensinger	6' 2"	185
James Lindner	5' 8"	170
Donald Means	5' 9"	165
Charles Mutti	6' 1"	165
Walter Nelson	5' 6"	155
Walter Prescott	5' 9"	170
Alan Wolfley	5' 11"	180
Frank Wurm	5' 11"	175

Squad II has the following men in its roster: Richard Barnes, Henry Bloch, William Calder, John Cran, Peter Fagg, Willard Galvin, James Grady, Donald McLean, Charles Reille, Wilbur Weeks and Larzer Ziff.

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PLANS RELEASED FOR '46 FOOTBALL

Football at Middlebury College next season will enjoy its first full scheduled season since 1942, according to the schedule released here recently by Coach Arthur M. Brown, Director of Athletics.

The schedule is as follows: Oct. 5, Williams at Williamstown, Mass.; Oct. 12, Trinity at Middlebury; Oct. 19, Wesleyan at Middlebury; Oct. 26, St. Lawrence at Canton, N. Y.; Nov. 2, Norwich at Middlebury; Nov. 9, Union at Schenectady, N. Y.; Nov. 16, Vermont at Burlington.

This season, in spite of a very limited supply of manpower, Midd managed to have a football squad which concluded the season with a score of one victory over Dartmouth J. V., one tie with Wesleyan, and two losses to R. P. I. and the University of Connecticut.

Twelve Teams Invited To Carnival Ski Meet

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Jerry Chaser is being made to bring his outfit up to standards set by such men as Paul and Ralph Townsend, Si Dunklee, Al Merrill and Curt Chase. Ed. Blood, former coach, is still in the ski troopers.

Our brothers to the north, the University of Vermont, are planning another well-balanced squad, in hope of repeating last year's carnival-winning sextet. McGill University, up in Montreal, has always had a creditable team, mainly because of its proximity to excellent training facilities, such as the nearby Laurentian Mountains.

Representing the greater Boston area, is Harvard, a strong outfit to defeat, if they had a suitable place to practice, for each year they have a number of top-notch skiers. Norwich University, back to peacetime schedules, along with Amherst and Williams, has had fair teams in past years and is expected to return to competition this season, as are the three New York colleges, Union, St. Lawrence and Rensselear Polytechnic Institute.

Midd Prospect

Middlebury's hopes for a championship ski team were enhanced last week by the addition of Harry Fife, son of Prof. Harry M. Fife, who was recently discharged from the Army Air forces. Fife, well known in Vermont and New England interscholastic skiing circles, is a valuable acquisition to the squad and is a four-event man. As it looks now, Capt. Tom Cremer, Ed. "Doc" Welles, Peter McKee, Fife and Dick Bailey are the most logical candidates for varsity berths. It will be up to them to try to bring the team up to pre-war standards, when Middlebury, Dartmouth and New Hampshire were the three perennial threats in the east.

Choir, Dance Club Plan Yuletide Play

The Dance Group of the Modern Dance club, in conjuction with the Middlebury College Choir, will present "The Christmas Story" on December 13 at 8.00 p.m. in the college Playhouse. This will be the first program at Middlebury put on by these two groups together.

Before each of the three acts, the choir will sing Christmas carols pertaining to the scene. The Journey, the Annunciation, and the Manger will be the three scenes.

Performers who will take part in the production will be: Joan Roessle '48 as Joseph, Jeanette Winans '48 as Mary, Joanne Buckeridge '47 and Jean Mace '47 as the angels. The parts of the wise men will be taken by Caroline Leach '47, Shirley March '48, and Barbara Myers '49. The shepherds will be characterized by Alice Hardie, Mary Hemeon, Lesley Cunniff and Lorena Laing, all of the class of '49.

Varsity Basketball

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Intensive Training

Coach Brown has been working diligently with this squad of 23 men. During the past week, the squad was acquainted with several basic offensive plays, from which a large variety of scoring plays can be developed. With each practice session the squad is developing a further sense of timing, teamwork and confidence to face the fast approaching season which opens December 8 against Union college at Schenectady.

RUSSIAN PROBLEM

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Agrees with Power Politics

Captain Minchin said that he agrees with power politics, for what was the Monroe Doctrine but power politics. We must be realistic, he said. Russia is not easy to get along with, but we must find out where we have been mistaken in our dealing with her, and how we can best work with her in the future.

In the discussion, it was brought out that our hesitancy in handing the bomb over to the UNO may be due to a fear of the bomb or a fear of Russia, since we have said that we would give it to her on conditions, or a mixture of the two. But in any case we have adopted a "holier than thou" attitude, by saying that the bomb would be safe with us but we don't trust anyone else with it.

Holmgren, Drake, Skelton Alternate On Playing Bells

Behind the scenes this term of the Middlebury custom of playing the Chapel bells daily from 5.30 to 6.00 p.m., are three students, Thomas Skelton '49, Betsey S. Drake '47, and Elizabeth-Ann Holmgren '47.

Miss Drake and Miss Holmgren began practicing for the position at the end of their freshman year, and played alternately all last year. Skelton entered Middlebury in July, and learned how to play the bells during the summer. He played daily, arranging some new songs which had not been used before.

Because he expects to be drafted in the middle of the winter, Skelton asked if he could play this fall until he left. He and Miss Drake are now climbing up into the Chapel loft alternately every other day to bring the college its daily half-hour of Chapel music. Miss Holmgren will resume her playing when Skelton leaves.

Busby, Wade Start Star Gazers' Club

"We thought as long as we were under the stars we'd better know something about them," explained "Cam" Busbee and "Mim" Wade when they were interviewed this week on the origins of the Astronomy club.

They went on to explain that open air life developed first a curiosity about the stars followed by a serious interest in them. The girls spent the summer at Marblehead, Mass., here they practiced the study of astronomy on night sails. On returning to Middlebury they found others were interested in the subject and have found enough students interested to form the basis of a club. Prof. Benjamin F. Wissler has offered to act as faculty adviser for the group.

Middlebury already has equipment for such an organization. It is hoped that if sufficient interest is shown, Middlebury may offer a course in the subject next year. It is planned to hold meetings of the club once a month with provisions for guest speakers

MODERN MUSIC

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standing features. This type of tune is Jo's forte, she has both the rhythm and the volume to carry the load alone. The band gives a superb performance, sparked by a trumpet solo and lead that is worth the cost of the record. The last chorus gives the listener just a few bars of the Pied Pipers. Elsewhere on this page you will find a questionnaire concerning your favorite band, your favorite tune, the top song on your personal hit parade, and one or two inquiries of a similar type. At the end of the blank you will find a request for your opinion on this column. If there is a general lack of interest in records, popular music, and, more particularly, in these efforts to write about them, the apathy will show up in a scarcity of replies. The CAMPUS wants to give you the materail you want to read, so regardless of whether it's thumbs up or thumbs down, do us a favor and clip the questionnaire and drop it in the Free Speech box in the book store before Saturday afternoon.

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Senior Volleyball Team Routs Frosh

"Well," Miss Rosevear remarked, as the senior No. 1 team beat the freshman No. 8 team, "I didn't think you old ladies had it in you!" And that's what they are calling themselves now, "the Old Ladies." However, it looks as though the Old Ladies are doing all right for themselves, leading a field of ten teams with three wins in as many starts. Team 2 and team 5 are tied for second place with two wins and one loss apiece. The team standings are complete as follows, as of November 16:

Team	*Games Won*	*Games Lost*
1	3	0
2	2	0
3	1	1
4	1	1
5	2	0
6	0	2
7	1	2
8	2	1
9	0	3
10	0	2

The schedule for the week beginning November 26 is as follows:

Monday—4.00—team 8 vs. team 4
team 9 vs. team 3
4.45—team 1 vs. team 6
team 7 vs. team 5
Tuesday—4.00—team 6 vs. team 4
team 7 vs. team 3
4.45—team 10 vs. team 2
team 1 vs. team 5
Thursday—4.00—team 8 vs. team 2
team 9 vs. team 10
4.45—team 1 vs. team 4
team 5 vs. team 3

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